

Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, April 14, 2015 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met April 14, 2015 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on April 8, 2015 a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. Chairman Nuss presided with roll call showing the following present: Fintel, Samuelson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Nuss, absent: Anderson. Minutes of the meeting held March 31, 2015 were mailed to the board members. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Todd Nuss stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 31, 2015 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent discussed a letter he had received from the township to close a portion of Road 324 between Sections 10 & 3 of Harvard Township. This half mile stretch has been impassable for quite some time. The culvert had been washed out, there are holes in the road and it is overgrown with trees. Tom requested that the board direct him to begin an engineering study and to advertise for a public hearing.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to start the engineering study for the closure of Road 324 between Sections 10 & 3 of Harvard Township. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Schmidt to advertise for a public hearing to be held on May 12, 2015 at 9:10 A.M. concerning the closure of Road 324 between Sections 10 & 3 of Harvard Township. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Schmidt and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.

An agreement was received from the Nebraska Department of Roads concerning reimbursement for tying out land monuments for the Highway 74 project.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to authorize the chairman to sign the Agreement between Clay County Nebraska and the State of Nebraska, Department of Roads to tie out land monuments as necessary for project no. HWY 74 Maintenance and receive reimbursement for those costs. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Schmidt, Johnson and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.



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Tom reported that they are working on culverts and should be done with driveways by the end of the week. The bridge by Mau's is done; it will need to be inspected by the bridge inspector before the road can be re-opened. A study for another bridge will be done after April 15th and that project should be ready for bid letting in June. Tom has decided not to get the dump trucks that had been discussed previously; they won't meet the department's needs. Pickups were discussed; it was decided to keep looking.

Tanya Hansen an attorney representing Marshall Township discussed a Resolution from Marshall Township closing a road. Ms. Hansen told the board that the township was asking for an engineering study to close a portion of Road 310. This will be put on next week's agenda to start the engineering study and advertise for a public hearing.

Ted Griess, County Attorney was asked if the Resolution from Marshall Township closing the road would work as a request for an engineering study; he said it would. Ted reported that he had attended the NIRMA Employment Practices Seminar in Lincoln. Based on what he learned, he believes that the employee handbook will need some updates. He will have the renewal contract for the public defender for the board at the end of the month.

Dennis Maggert from NACO Benefit Services met with the board to discuss the different health care options available through their service. The board decided to revisit this later in the fall before the 2016 changes take place.

The fee reports were circulated for review. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Fintel to accept the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of March 2015: County Clerk, \$15,805.22, County Court \$11,724.54, Clerk of District Court, \$35,685.00, County Treasurer receipts #15030001 thru #15030089 in the amount of \$377,483.04. County Sheriff for the month of February 2015 \$3,178.34. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.

A check that has been outstanding for over two years was discussed. Several unsuccessful attempts have been made to contact the party in order to issue a duplicate.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Johnson to adopt resolution #15-04 to cancel outstanding warrant #12080154 and authorize the chairman to sign. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #15-04

WHEREAS, there remain outstanding warrants drawn on the COUNTY GENERAL FUND which warrants have been outstanding for more than two years, and WHEREAS, under the provisions of Sec. 77-2205, Revised Statutes of Nebraska, the County Treasurer shall not pay any warrant, unless registered, which is presented for payment more than two years after the date of issuance, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following warrant shall be cancelled from the COUNTY GENERAL FUND dated 8-01-2012 #12080154 in the amount of \$46.10 and the County Clerk is hereby instructed to make proper notation of such cancellation of the Warranty Register.



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Dated this 14th day of April, 2015.

ATTEST: /s/ Deborah Karnatz

Clay County Clerk

/s/ Todd Nuss

Chairman Clay County Board of Supervisors

Rates for natural gas from the different suppliers was discussed. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Samuelson to go with Constellation Energy for one year with the fixed rate of \$.539 per therm. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.

The board went to the Jail for the quarterly visit and viewed the storage building.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Samuelson to adjourn this meeting at 11:05 A.M.; next meeting scheduled for April 21, 2015. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Schmidt and Nuss; absent: Anderson. Motion carried.

Deb Karnatz, County Clerk

Todd Nuss, Chairman